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[57] ABSTRACT

An emulsifying system for elemental diet compositions is provided that comprises a protein source that may be a extensively hydrolyzed protein, free amino acids, shortchain peptides, or a mixture thereof; a lipid source; a carbohydrate source; and an emulsifying system comprising an ocentyl succinic anhydride modified starch and an acetylated monoglyceride emulsifier. The composition may be prepared as a powder or liquid nutritional composition for formulas prepared for infant, pediatric and adult populations in need of an elemental diet. The invention provides a commercially acceptable product in terms of desired stability and physical characteristics and is particularly useful for hypoallergenic infant formula preparations.

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